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REFERENCES TO THE TRANSFER OF "RUBIN" AND  
 "IRA", AND TO THE RECALL OF "GRIGORIJ".

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To VIKTOR[i].

1. Yesterday I conversed with RUBIN[ii]. He expressed  
 regret

[13 groups unrecovered]

the KHATA[iii]. He also enquired whether we would transfer him  
 from the work permanently or whether he would be able to resume  
 study [UCHEB] next year[iv]. If permanently does this mean that

[24 groups unrecoverable].

RUBIN related, quoting IRA[v], that in CARTHAGE  
 [KARFAGEN][vi] SEROV[vii], for whom IRA worked as secretary,  
 persistently tried to enter into intimate relations with her.  
 For the time being it is not known whether the business was  
 limited to attempts; however, R.[viii] expressed suspicion to  
 GRIGORIJ[ix] that IRA was pregnant [but][a] not by him since he  
 had been taking precautions. Please clarify this matter through  
 the appropriate channels, especially in connection with your  
 decision to transfer R. and IRA to work in CARTHAGE, and telegraph  
 your opinion in advance.

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3. GRIGORIY, who was informed of the decision to send [him][a] away [OTKOMANDIROVANIE], wants to speak with me. How do you recommend that the recall be justified? GRIGORIY considers that he has been made a scapegoat (actually R.[viii] is no less at fault than GRIGORIY).

4. Would it not be possible to draw URAL[x] gradually into our work?

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MAJ [MAJ][xi]

T.N.: [a] Inserted by the translator.

Comments: [i] VIKTOR: probably Lt.-General P.M. FITIN.

[ii] RUBIN: Valentin Efimovich TOLSTIKOV.

[iii] KHLTA: the F.B.I.

[iv] TOLSTIKOV [RUBIN] was a student at Columbia University from 18th February 1944 to 19th October 1946.

[v] IRA: Mariya Andreevna TOLSTIKOVA, wife of Valentin Efimovich TOLSTIKOV.

[vi] KARFAGEN: WASHINGTON, D.C.

[vii] Mikhail Vasil'evich SEROV, Assistant Chairman of the Soviet Government Purchasing Commission in the U.S.A.

[viii] R.: i.e. RUBIN.

[ix] GRIGORIY: not identified.

[x] URAL: probably Nikolaj Prokop'evich KARPEKOV.

[xi] MAJ: Pavel Ivanovich FEDOSIMOV.

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